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Applicants

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PETITION FOR RETROACTIVE EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants, by and through their undersigned attorney, respectfully request a three month extension of time in order to

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respond properly to the outstanding non-final Official Action mailed February 25, 2004 for the above-identified application. The period for response will now be extended from May 25, 2004 through August 25, 2004. In view of applicant's status as a Small Entity, please find enclosed a check in the amount of four hundred seventy five (\$475.00) dollars in full payment of the requisite fee [FY 2004] for this Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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